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Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

We do not believe in human omnipotence and we distrust human beings who assume it. We doubt whether there are many Americans who are willing to concede that President Roosevelt, re-elected Tuesday to another four year term is more than a fallible human being, whose virtues at the moment are those of experience, rather than anything inherent. The majority of the people decided they preferred his experience despite his faults, to an inexperienced man whose claims to wisdom and virture had hitherto been proved only in a limited field.

However, it is the observation of this writer that most of the elderly voters cast their ballot for the younger man, and most of the younger voters gave their ballots to the older man. We anticipate that service men generally voted for Roosevelt and we know many young persons at home who did so. The youth of the country does not share the apprehension of the oldsters that their country may soon face a catastrophe, not of war but of peace. They have had twelve years of the Roosevelt administration and they have found it good. Taxes that hit the older voters hardest have not yet impressed youth as burdensome. The reforms wrought under President Roosevelt have been often of the kind that impress the idaalism of youth, who give less thought than their elders to how much they cost, and whether they are worth the price. They do not distinguish between the debts incurred in peace during the first eight years of the Roosevelt regime, and the huge debt incurred because of war.

Sometimes we think that oldsters do too much worrying, but after all it is still their country as well as that of their children and grandchildren. Many of them feel that this country is headed toward a frightful catastrophe in which powers of government will be more and more centralized in Washington and the army and federal servants continually enlarged. The older generation realizes of course that many reforms were due. However, no healthy people can absorb the shock of reforms piled on reforms and continue in good financial health. Ultimate they must pay. When this is done the cure can readily became a greater curse than the disease.

The other day there arrived a book addressed to the Nugget entitled "Federal Agencies, a Descriptive Tabulation of 428 Functional Units of the Fedegal Government." The book is issued by the Citizens National Committee. and is strictly factual. There is nothing in it of blame or praise. It reveals that among those 428 agencies there are 2,948,863 employes, costing the country $106,094,120 annually in appropriations and wages. The authors acknowledge that it is not complete, since some of the agencies refuse information regarding finances and number of employes.

This will constitute, in years to come, a formidable load for our children to carry. Whether they will be able to carry it or not we do not profess to know. Personally we are not optimistic. All these agencies, of coudse, indicate the growing power of the federal government. All of them are not creations of the executive. Congress created many of them But all of them, so long as they exist, must be paid for. The president has never, in recent years, discussed national economy. He never discusses the national debt save to exhort us all to buy bonds. In the next four years, of of course, it is possible, he will take this gook, just mentined and go down the line with a blue pencil, striking out those which the taxpayers can do without. This would not be in keeping with his character, which is to spend rather than save, but he might do it.

We shall of course be as loyal to our re-elected execptive as every good American should be. But we will not forego our American prerogative of pointing out those things he has originated which seem to us extremely dangerous to the country's future, and to the menace that a huge public debt constitues. We believe, of course, that every one should invest every penny that he can in government bonds, but we also believe wise leadership should make every efrort, either in peace or war to balance the budget, or come as near to it as is humanly possible.

FRESH CHURNED BUTTER OFFERED AS DOOR PRIZE

Valuable door prizes will be awarded next Wednesday afternoon at the Art Exhibit in the auditorium of the Elementary Schoool.

Prizes are as follows:

First prize: One pound home made point free butter.

Second prize: Butter one pound, home made, point free.

Numbered tickets for the exhibit which is sponsored by the Parent-Teachers associations of the high and elementary school, are now being sold by school students. Priced at thirty five cents each, they will admit adults either to the afternoon or the evening showing. However, tea will be served in the afternoon only from 2 to 5, and the drawing for door prizes will take place at 4:30 p. m.

The butter will be moulded in half pound pats, in a decorative mould loaned by Hilmen Kjorlie, superintendent of schools, to whose family it belongs.

"In selecting these prizes", Kjorlie said today, "the committee was guided by a desire to choose something appropriate to the occasion—an exhibit of fine reproductions of the great masterpieces of modern and clissical paintings. A pat of butter freshly churned, is not only beautiful in color, form and texture but is increasingly rare."

Proceeds from the exhibit will be used for the purchase of pictures for the schools.

THREE YOUTHS FACE CHARGE OF STEALING CARS

The three youths captured in Truckee and Sierraville and charged with car theft, will be arraigned in Placer County, where the last car theft of a series took place.

The three to face prosecution are Alvin Croslin, 17, of Merced, Donald Morrison, 17, of Los Angeles, and Frank Rarsey, 19, of Quincy. A fourth youth, Robert Martine, 18, of San Diego, was shot and killed, while feeing on foot from the stolen car in which they had been riding, by Highway Patrolman H. C. Kolb.

The quartet escaped Friday night from the California Youth Authority camp at Benicia, and after stealing one car after another, as the supplies of gas gave out, were stopped in Truckee, Nevada County. Highway Patrolman Kolb was exonerated Monday by a coroner's jury sitting in Truckee. Ramsey escaped in the darkness of Sunday night but was apprehended in the vicinity of Sierraville.

Sgt. George Davidson Wounded In Action

The War Department has notified Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davidson of Brighton Street, Grass Valley, that their son, Sgt. George A. Davidson has been wounded in action in Italy. No details regarding the character of the wounds suffered were received but the date given was October 19th.

The parents believe Sgt. Davidson was wounded in the present struggle along the Rimini-Bologna line. Sgt. Davidson entered the 115th Engineers in Grass Valley early in 1941. Later he was transferred to another regiment of combat engineers.

GEN. ABBOTT JOINS AMERICAN LEGION POST

Brig. Gen. Oscar Abbott commandant at Camp Beale formally joined the Hague-Thomas-Hegarty Post of the American Legion during the patriotic exercises in observance of Armistice Day Saturday in the Veterans Memorial Building. One of the features of the program was the presentation of his membership card.

Due to downpour throughout the day the big parade scheduled jointly by Nevada City and Grass Valley was omitted. The sports program, including the traditional football game between the Grass Valley Miners and the Nevada City Yellow Jackets also had to be abandoned.

The speaker of the day was Rev. Frank Buck, former lieutenant colonel chaplain in a New Zealand division serving in North Africa.

The American Legion held its dinner and dance in the evening with a large attendance.

XMAS CLUB FUND HOLDS HALF BILLION DOLLARS

Five hundred million dollars will be distributed to about seven million Christmas club members by forty eight hundred banking and savings institutions and other organizations during post war prosperity week, starting Monday, November 27, according to an estimate given out yesterday by Herbert F. Rawll, founder and president of Christmas Club, a corporation. Of the total amount $10,000,000 will be distributed in California.

The total distribution is 20% ahead of last year and represents a high since the year of the bank holiday. The average per member distribution increased to approximately $70 as compared with $56 last year. This average check amount represented an all time record in the 34 years of Christmas club operation.

The use of Christmas club checks this year shows a substantial increase in percentages applied to war savings bonds, permanent savings and government urged, anti inflatonary purposes.

BIERLY SUCCEEDS FENNON IN STATE CHAMBER POST

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 13—S. H. Bierly, former resident of Sacramento, will succeed the late Edward M. Fennon as manager of the Sacramento Valley district of the California state chamber of commerce. Announcement of Bierley's appointment was made today by James Mussatti, general manager of the state chamber.

Bierley is well known to many residents of the Sacramento Valley, since prior to 1937 he was the Sacramento regional manager for the Capital Company. Bierley joined the staff of the state chamber in January 1937, when he became manager of the chamber's central valled district, with headquarters in Stockton, in which capacity he has served for the past seven years.

Bierley has already assumed his new duties in the regional office in the Senator Hotel.

TRUCKEE MAN PASSES

Funeral arrangements are pending with Laity Funeral Home here for the late Frank Powell, who passed away in a Nevada City hospital last Friday night.

The deceased was born in New Brighton, Pa., 87 years ago. He had resided for the past 44 years in Truckee. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Emma Powell and a granddaughter in Reno.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bruening and Mrs. Vera Davies of Grass Valley visited with relatives and friends in Alleghany and Forest the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Bruening are former residents of Alleghany.

GOVERNMENT TO HOLD AUCTION AT MODESTO

BERKELEY, Nov. 13—Scheduled for Thursday, November 1, with the possibility of extending into the second day, the first of a series of "test acutions" of surplus government property will be held at Modesto under the auspices of the AAA, according to a joint announcement today by Dave Davidson, chairman of the state AAA committe, and John Halford, chairman of the Stanislaus County AAA committee.

Materials and equipment needed in rural areas ranging from rubber boots and hand tools to electric motors and electric welders, all owned by the DPC and currently located at the Riverbank Aluminum plant formorely operated by the Aluminum Company of America and the Manteca plant operated by the Permanente Metals Corporation will be put up for sale.

The announcement indicated that, if successful, this auction will be a forerunner to a series of similar auctions of surplus government property in various parts of the state.

In preparation for the sale, inventories are being prepared with particular emphasis being put on those materials which are usable in rural areas. Similar auctions have already been held in the midwest and have resulted in wide dispersion of the articles sold at reasonable prices, although it is notworthy that the returns from the sales have yielded an unexpected high proportion of the original cost.

"Designed to afford farmers access to the materials in quantities that are suitable lot sizes will be kept as small as is practical,' th'e committeemen said, "thus if a farmer needs a shovel or two he will not be required to purchase a hundred to fill that need."

Representatives of AAA organizations from other western region states, as well as defense plants corporation representatives, are expected to attend the sale as observers in preparation for extending the auction plan to other parts of the country.

TWIN CITIES WAR CHEST GOALS STILL DISTANT

War Chest campaigns in Grass Valley and Nevada City are still lagging below the goal set for the two communities and the two chairmen, respectively, O. P. Steel and Charles F. Parsons, are resigned to continuing the drive until their quotas are reached.

Steele reported that Grass Valley has yet to raise $3000 to attain the quota assigned Grass Valley, $13,500. Parsons said yetserday that Nevada City and environs must still subscribe $2000 to attain its quota of $5200.

NEV. COUNTY XMAS TREES FOR HIGH SEAS

Guerdon Ellis, supervisor of Tahoe national forest reports that two trucks carrying 100 Christmas trees freshly cut in the forest here will grace holiday celebrations aboard U. S. ships on the high seas.

The two trucks arrived Saturday manned with soldiers to do the cutting and loading. A forest service official guided the trucks to the nearest available stand. Ellis expressed satisfaction in being able to add to the Christmas pleasure of service men on the high seas.

NEW TANKERS HONOR OIL FIELD

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—Five tankers named in honor of California's great oil producing fields now are being built at a twenty four hour a day rate in San Francisco's shipyards.

The ships are the steamships Baldwin Hills, McKittrick Hills, New hall Hills, Rincon Hills and Potrero Hills.

GUERDON ELLIS REVIEWS NEVADA CO. RESOURCES

In an address before the Nevada City Rotary Club, Guerdon Ellis, supervisor of the Tahoe national forest, reviewed the six natural resources of the forest, development of which is largely prospective and in which Nevada County has a vital interest.

The six resources are agriculture, mining, both gravel and lode, grazing, timber, recreation and water.

He declared that agriculture of the future would include developments covering a much wider scope than now realized. Regarding gravel mining Ellis emphasized the need of newer methods in recovery of gold from underground gravel channels and predicted a big development in these modern processes in the post war era.

Ellis stressed the vital importance to all communities in timbered areas of promoting practices in forestry which made lumber yields a potential crop. He explained how poor underseanding of timber problems and poor processes in cutting may so deplete a timber stand that it becomes useless for all time.

As an example of wasteful practice he cited the timber cutting around Hobart Mills in eastern Nevada County.

He mentioned the industry now going into Washington, 17 miles east of Nevada City, in which the State Box Company is setting up a mill. He hinted broadly that remanufacturing industries may be brought to Nevada County on a profitable basis.

Recounting the advantages of the mountain grazing, Ellis stated that an average of 15,000 sheep and 4000 cattle now graze in the Tahoe forest every summer.

The recreational resources of Nevada County have yet to be fully exploited. He pointed to the activity in the last few years in the Donner Summit area as a forerunner of business enterprise along Highway 40 which would eventnally make the higher altitudes a notable recreation region, summer and winter. He cited figures to show that this area had as many visitors, before war restrictions hampered travel, as did Yosemite Valley.

While referring to the expansion of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company projects within the Tahoe forest. Ellis pointed out there is still a great backlog of water for impounding and control which would add to the county's irrigation, power and domestic water facilities.

In conclusion he advocated a more active role of all Rotary members in the local chamber of commerce and recommended increased interest in, and attendance at the meetings of the state chamber in Sacramento. For, he declared, it is such bodies that develop and mature plans for new improvements projects.

S. F. PLANS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—San Francisco is planning a vast post war expansion of municipal improvements to modernize this metropolis.

Mayor Roger D. Lapham has announced a preliminary, $131,180,000 program of planning, land purchases and construction of post war municipal improvements.

The program includes 277 projects for civic improvement, educational construction, public housing and utility projects, industrial development, airport and transit facities, water and sewer improvements, a civic auditorium, a new municipal courts building and many other items.

The plans contemplate expenditure of $29,809,000 for the first post war year with the balance of $101,396,000 allocated for the succeeding five years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Deal of this city enjoyed a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Morris of Forest during the past week end.

MEN MUSTERED OUT OF CAMP BEALE CENTER

CAMP BEALE, Nov. 13 — First California soldiers to be mustered out of the army at the new separation center left Camp Beale last week to return to civilian life. The separation center, first portion of the war department personnel center to begin operations here, processed its first group of separatees Monday.

Californians enlisted men and women and officers, are to be discharged at this post.

Lt. Col. Park B. Herrick, acting commanding officer of the unit in the absence of Col. P. H. Sparati, commanding officer of the personnel center, announced that the command consisting of 40 officers and 160 enlisted men is ready to muster out over 100 Californians a day.

Men and women both from overseas, and from other posts within the continental United States, will be sent here for separation. Medical examinations determine whether further treatments should be given. When hospitalization is necessary, treatment will follow.

Camp Beale's center is the only WAAC separation unit in the 9th Service Command, so enlisted women from Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona and California will be separated from service here.

While men are being discharged here, two other units of the personnel center—the reception center and the reception station—will be receiving inductees and overseas veterans for classification and reassignment, respectively. Starting in late November all northern California inductees will be sent to Camp Beale instead of to the Presidio of Monterey. Only two other personnel centers at Fort Lewis, Wash., and Fort Douglas, Utah, are being established in the west. There will be 18 in the entire United States.

STUDY OF KOTA LANGUAGE IS COMPLETED

BERKELEY, Nov. 13—Myths and tales translated from the Kota language, including the original texts, appear in a new book entitled Kota Texts, Part One, written by Murray B. Emeneau, associate professor of Sanskrit on the Berkeley campus of the University of California. The book has just been published by the University Press.

The Kotas, a tribe in the Nilgiri Hills of South India, speak a Dravidian language known to scholars only through a few word lists of little value, the author explains. The myths and tales in Professor Emeneau's book were dictated to him by the only adult Kota who speaks English.

Field work for the book was accomplished in the summers of 1936-1937 and the spring of 1938. Professor Emeneau's stay in India during these periods was financially possible through aid from Yale University, the American Council of Learned Societies, Devoted to Humanistic Studies, and the American Philosophical Society. Future Kota texts are planned which will contain further myths and tales. On the basis of his linguistic field work and extensive nots, Professor Emeneau intends publishing a grammar and vocabulary of the language.

Business and Professional Women To Give Dinner

The Grass Valley Women's Business and Professional Club is planning on an attendance of 150 at the annual community dinner in Bret Harte Inn Wednesday night.

The theme of the meeting will be the establishment of a Nevada County Historical Society to preserve and study the early historical data of this region. Speakers will be Robert J. Burns of the College of the Pacific and Rev. Frank Buck of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Their topic will be the establishment at the college of a foundation for a lectureship, museum and library devoted to early California history, American period.

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SKY COMMUTERS

Although many months will elapse before the Civil Aeronautics Board makes known its findings in the matter of feeder airline service for central and northern California communities, facts disclosed and developed in the CAB hearing in San Francisco on applications of 20 airlines for this servise merits serious consideration.

As presented, the plans now under consideration would link this region by air with 20 other major western cities at a substantial slash in transportation time and costs.

Among the plans presented were one to extend the present San Francisco-Reno flight to Boise, Idaho, nonstop, and thence to Spokane, clipping five hours on the present San Francisco-Spokane flight. This compares with the present 30 hour train time to Spokane.

Another plan was for a coastal route to Seattle by way of Santa Rosa, Eureka, North Bend, Astoria, Aberdeen and Olympia. This route would supplement a third route proposed to run inland by way of Chico, Klamath Falls, Bend and Chehallis. Such a schedule would trim the flying time between San Francisco and Eureka to one hour and 46 minutes. The 24 hour rail bus trip from San Francisco to Bend would be cut to three hours and 22 minutes.

Thus is can be seen that these new air routes would place the entire western states almost within communting distance from the counties surrounding San Francisco bay. And this in turn would mean easier communications and better business between northern an central California and all of the western states.

OUR SCORCHED EARTH.....

Little known as yet, or little understood, are the grim facts of the fearful, almost total devastation wrought by Hitler's infuriated legions in occupied countries where the nazis are taking final vengeance before being driven out or annihilated by allied armies.

Nations are being maimed, and even killed, as well as men. In Holland, the very earth is being destroyed, as the nazis blast the dikes and wreck the pumps which have held back the sea.

It may be three generations before the industrious Dutch can reclaim their soil—and make it yield crops again. And poverty and tragedy will stalk the barren land during the intervening years, unless some way can be found to provide a means of livelihood for landless and homeless millions. Three quarters of all Holland, land, factories, power plants, homes, stores, schools—may be wiped out before the campaign of wanton destruction is ended.

Holland and its colonies of course, are only one small part of our scorched earth laid waste by the nazi and Jap. Greece, Poland, China, Russia, France and the Philippines—all have been ravaged—and for some, the worst is yet ahead.

Generations yet unborn will suffer because mad men, with a vicious disregard for their fellow men, were allowed for a brief period, to terrorize the world. If ever we let it happen again, our children may well decide that we were mad, too.—Contributed.

FREE ENTERPRISE—WHAT IS IT?

It's a lot of little things—and some mighty big things, too. But in a nutshell, it's our right to live our own lives, run our farms and business in our own way—without needless interference.

It's our right to criticize the government, bawl out the umpire, belong to the Grange, or make a speech on the public square. It's our right to travel when and where we choose—to work or not, as we please.

It offers opportunity to anyone who really wants it. It rewards thrift hard work and ingenuity. It thrives on competition and raises our standard of living. It encourages invention, stimulates research and promotes progress.

It offers us a chance to save and invest and build and grow.

Sure, we're willing to put up with a lot of irritatings right now—in order to win the war—but I don't believe we'll stand for being pushed around much after it's over.

Free enterprise—that hardly defines the system under which this country has grown great. It's really American enterprise ,because it's the most American thing we have. It really is America. Let's keep it.—Gilcrafter.

HAVEN FOR WAR CRIMINALS

There have been unconfrimed reports during recent weeks that some of the Nazi war criminals already have fled incognito to neutral countries. Also there have been frequent stories for months past that Hitler and his gang have cached fabulous sums in stolen wealth in other countries, apparently confident they can escape trial and puninshment for their fearful crimes against humanity.

Leaders of the allied nations, however, are quietly applying diplomatic pressure to nations suspected of willingness to harbor Hitler and his hangmen seeking to bar every avenue of escape.

This time, the guilty must not escape. If Hitler should be permitted to finish out his days chopping weed in some safe retreat, it would be the worst travesty in justice in the world's history.—Contributed.

UNION BOSSES AND THE FARMER

Big city union domination of California agriculture through organization of truckers and other vital cogs in the process of moving crops to markets has progressed to the point of absurdity, as shown in the recent state legislature committee investigation in Los Angeles of strong arm practices and outright racketeering in the wholesale produce markets.

Under the closed shop system, farmers trucking their produce into the Los Angeles whoesale market are forced to hire union swampers. Formerly the average unloading cost for a big truck was $6 but under the closed shop system the swampers demand from $12 to $15 per truck, with $20 as the limit (and that's the word to describe it) quoted in sworn testimony before the committee. Farmers who protested they could not afford such exhorbitant charges and attempted to hire other helpers to unload their trucks were threatened with broken jaws and other bodily harm by the union swampers.

Many men, including paid off veterans of the current war, undoubtedly would like to share in this lucrative work in the wholesale markets but they, too, dare not attempt to board the union gravy train. Union officials who protested that the swampers are "unauohtrized" to make such fantastic over charges, are the first to defend the closed shop system regardless of its un-Americanism and injustices. They, like the swampers, do not care if the farmer, unabe to meet such excessive charges, has to haul his truckliod of perishable produce back home to rot.—Contributed.

Clair Engle Thanks Nevada County Voters

Congressman Clair Engle, re-elected last week to represent the second congressional district for a full two year term, today issued a statement thanking the voters of Nevada County for their support.

Returns from all but a few precincts indicate Engle carried all but Alpine and Calaveras counties in the 18 counties district one of the largest area in the United States.

On Friday of last week United Press and Associated Press reported that in 555 of the district's 631 precincts Engle has polled 38,145 votes compared to 21,923 for his opponent. State Sen. Jesse Mayo of Angels Camp.

Commenting on the election, Engle said: "I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the excellent support given me by the voters of this county. The people of my district can be assured I shall continue to do my utmost to represent them honestly and conscientiously, and to uphold the confidence they have placed in me as indicated by their overwhelming vote.

"I wish to thank also the newspapers of the district. All were fair in their news columns and editorials in presenting the issues of the campaign."

S. F. Wants New Commission Market

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—The San Francisco Wholesale Terminal Corporation composed of landowners, wholesale produce operators and others this week announced post war plans to build a new wholesale produce market here to cost between five and ten million dollars.

The new market would occupy the present site of San Francisco's wholesale market, or one similarly located near transportation, to allow the handling of the huge produce supplies, which come into San Francisco for local consumption or export.

The market wherever located, will be served by spur railroads tracks for easy loading and unloading, and by improved facilities for trucks and the parking of other vehicles.

WACS ENJOY BALLET IN ROME

ROME, Nov. 13—To scores of WACS who visit Rome on furloughs, one of the most interesting experiences is attending the ballet. The "season of ballet" is sponsored by the British Army Educational and Welfare department and offers a repertory that includes all the favorite dance dramas. The perfect choreoghapry is under the direction of M. Milloss, whose productions are well known to followers of the ballet as the most finished on the continent. The prime ballerine in most of the numbers is Attilia Radico, a favorite of the WACS, many of whom have gen back to meet the gracious Italian dancer.

On a recent evening many WACS were present to applaud the light and colorful "Petrouchka" by Strawinsky. Other numbers that delgihted the Americans were Verdi's "Four Seasons" and Respighi's Les Oiseaux".

Many WACS have become very much interested in the ballet and attend the productions in the cities in which they are stationed. "I now realize how the ballet tells a complete story as the play uses words to put across the story, so the ballet produces a complete unified story by utilizing the dance," commented Sgt. June M. Ireton, 293 88nd Ave. San Francisco as she left the theatre.

Another San Francisco WAC who follows the ballet in Italy and attended during her furlough in Rome is Staff Sergeant Muriel Rogers.

JERRY FULLER MARRIED

Jerome R. Fuller better known to his many friends here as Jerry, announced Saturday that he was married in Sacramento five months ago and it has been kept a secret up to this time. Mrs. Fuller arrived in this city last week from Richmond where she was employed in war work in the Kaiser ship yards. He has been in the employ of the Tahoe national forest four years and closed his station October first. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller will reside in Nevada City.

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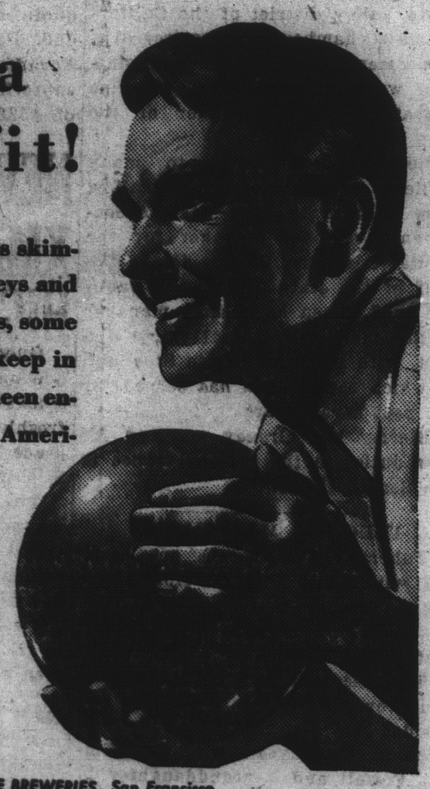

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REGISTRATION IN U C GAINS

Registration on the two largest campuses of the University of California for the fall term shows a slight gain in total over the enrollment a year ago, it is announced. However on the Berkeley campus there is still a loss, but a larger gain on the Los Angeles campus makes the total higher.

At Los Angeles the registration is 4836 which is 521 more than a year ago. On the Berkeley campus the figure is 7329 or 390 less than in the fall term last year. However at Los Angeles Registrar W. C. Pomeroy expects a final enrollment of 5000 and at Berkeley Registrar T. B. Steel expects 7618. This would make a total of well more than 12,500 over 500 more than a year ago.

DESERT REPTILES PREFER SHADE

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 13—Desert reptiles are not as fond of high temperatures as is commonly supposed, and all of them will die if exposed too long to direct spring or summer sun, according to Dr. Raymond B. Cowles associate professor of zoology on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

In a recent study published jointly with Dr. Charles M. Bogert of the American Museum of Natutral History, Dr. Cowles points out that all desert reptiles are forced to escape extreme heat by finding shade or entering burrows.

Temperature control is the chief problem of desert reptiles, Dr. Cowles says, since high temperatures are fatal and low temperatures cause torpidity and eventually inability to move. Favorable temperatures are required for such functions as digestion and mating.

Conservation of moisture is as important to desert creatures as the simple avoidance of extreme temperatures, Dr. Cowles suggests. The desert dwelling gila monster in captivity often selects a pan of water when provided with a choice of environment, he says.

STANDARD TIME

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—The San Francisco board of supervisors has under consideration a request from the Tulare board of supervisors to support a request to the president to restore standard time in place of the present daylight saving time.

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GOD IS MY CO-PILOT

By Col. Robert L. Scott

W.N.U. RELEASE

PERSONALS

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Roderick McKean of Colfax, in a Grass Valley hospital, Tuesday, November 7, 1944 a daughter. Mrs. McKean is the former Miss Roberta Bolton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bolton of Nevada City.

Capt. John Sbaffi who is home on furlough from many months of fighting in the North African and European theatres, is spending a few days in San Francisco on business.

Dave Richards, owner and operator of the Keystone Meat Market of Nevada City is making steady improvement in his recent illness. He suffered a spell of double pneumonit.

Snow has been falling at high elevations practically ever since the storm started and on Friday woodsmen at Skilman Flat on Tahoe Ukiah highway found two cars stuck in the snow above the Washington Junction. Eight inches of snow was on the ground at Washington Junction Friday afternoon.

Ranger Pete Land and assistant Sam Dickey, who spent several days in Nevada City the past week attending a special meeting of the Tahoe national forest returned to their home in Sierraville Friday evening.

F. F. Cassidy manager of the Alpha Stores of Nevada City, and Geo. Hallock, prominent mining man of the Alleghany district, spent some time in Alleghany the past week.

William Beggs, of Oakland and owner of the Kate Hardy mine near Alleghany passed through Nevada City recently enroute to the property.

Nevada City firemen were called to the home of Mrs. Agnes Hoskins on Commercial street Sunday morning to extinguish a fire which started in the chimney and burned between the walls of the house. The blaze was soon extinguished.

Mrs. Beth Davis, who has been employed by J. F. Colley's Confectionery for many years, left for Santa Rosa today to visit for a time with her daughter. Mr. Colley recently sold his candy store to Charles Veale.

Mrs. Nance James, who suffered a severe illness recently, has not been feeling so well and entered a local hospital for further treatment and care.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Waite and daughter have moved from Washington and rented a home on Boulder street for the time being. Mr. and Mrs. Waite sold their hotel the former Haverstock hotel to Mr. and Mrs. John Phelps of Graniteville, retaining nearby lots for future buildings.

Hotel Operator Fined $1000 For Double Rates

In one of the first actions of its kind on the west coast, Judge Martin I. Welsh of the U. S. District Court yesterday fined a Stockton hotel operator $1000 for evading federal rent control acts.

Demetrai Ente of the White Hotel 307 South Center Street, Stockton, pleaded guilty to two counts of requiring a single person to register as two persons and pay a double occupancy rate in order to secure a room. Welsh levied a fine of $500 on each count. Additional counts of the same nature were dismissed on the recommenation of U. S. Attorney Emmett J. Seawell.

In commenting on the case Galen E. Bush, rent enforcement investigator of the Sacramento district OPA said: "There has been a growing practice among unscrupulous hotel operators to require double registration in order that the room rent for two persons can be collected from a single occupant. This is the first of several cases being prepared here to curb this definitely inflationary and unfair practice.

New Book Lists 428 Federal Agencies

Citizens National Committee, Inc., an independent research agency of Washington, has published this week the first available handbook on certain details of the federal government structure. In 68 pages the booklet, called Federal Agencies, presents a descriptive tabulation of 428 functional units of the federal government as of June 30, 1944. It lists name, describes funcetion and gives method of creation, year of creation, 1944 appropriation and 1944 estimated personnel for each agency.

The publication is doubly unique, in that it presents such a tabulation for citizens for the first time, and in addition is the work of a citizen agency.

Designed to aid citizens to know their government and to enable them to take part in the all important discussion of federal reorganization which must fllow the war the tabulation is strictly factual. It provides summary tables of its contents, breaking down the execptive, legislative, judicial and corporate branches of government by their major agency and department groupings, and showing the totals for method of creation and year of establishment. More than 50 per cent of the agencies listed are reported as established since 1930.

Since a joint committee of congress, and the executive through the bureau of the budget, have each asked departments and agencies to estimate their post war cash and personal needs at this time, the publication of such information for citnzens is particulularly timely.

NOTICE FOR PAYMENT OF COUNTY TAXES

The taxes on all personal property secured by real property and one-half of the taxes on all real property for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1944, and ending June 30, 1945, will be due on November 1st, 1944, and will be delinquent on the 5th day of December, 1944, at 5 o'clock p. m., and unless paid prior thereto six per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and if said one half be not paid before the 5th day of December, 1944, at 5 o'clock p. m., an additional three per cent will be added thereto. The remaining one half of the taxes on all real property will be payable oh and after the first day of January, 1945, and will be delinquent the 20th day of April, 1945(at 5 o'clock p .m., and unless paid proir there to three per cent will be added to the amount thereof together with a further charge of 50c for each lot, piece or parcel of land separately assessed and for each assessment of personal property.

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CHAPTER XI

I couldn't waste much time in practice, for after all Burma was just over the Naga Hills and the Japs were coming towards Myitkyina from the South and up the Chindwin and the Irrawaddy. It was open season and I needed no hunting license. Now I definitely knew that adventure was near.

On that afternoon of April 30, 1942, with a full load of ammunition and the shark-mouth seeming to drip saliva, it was so eager, I waited by my ship for an alert. Jap observation planes had been coming over at high altitude very regularly. If they came today I hoped to surprise them.

At two o'clock the alert came, but it was not observation. Many unidentified aircraft were reported by a British radio somewhere over the Naga Hills. I didn't ask for more than that scanty information—I was in my fighter and climbing over the "tea ranches," as Colonel Haynes called them.

High over the field at 22,000 feet, I cuddled my oxygen mask and circled, watching for enemy ships to the East, South, and Southeast—down in the direction of a course to Mandalay. I searched until my eyes hurt, but saw nothing. After about an hour, turning to a course that would take me in the direction from which an enemy had to come, I flew off to intercept—I now had barely two hours' fuel, and the farther away from my base I met them, the more successful my attack would be. Lord! the ego that I possessed! I honestly believe I thought I could shoot down any number of Japs with my single fighter. Again I say, more of the valor of ignorance.

After forty-five minutes I turned for home and began to let down to eighteen thousand. Thirty miles from the field I suddenly tensed to the alert. Off ahead of me was a dark column of smoke, rising high in the air right in the position on the world's surface that the home field should be. My tortured mind flashed back to other results of bombings that I had seen.

"My God," I moaned, "while I've been away looking for the bastards, they've slipped in here and bombed hell out of the home base!"

With tears in my eyes I nosed over and dove for the Zeros that should be strafing the field. (Later I was to learn a lot about this method too.) The smoke was from base all right, but I could see no enemy planes. The only thing in the sky was a single Douglas transport, making a normal landing on the runway. "Calling 'NR-Zero—NR-Zero," I asked what the fire was. The reply was muddled, but everything seemed to be in order, for I noticed two other transports clearing the field for China. I circled, then dove on the smoking ruins of the RAF operations "basha." That building had been the casualty, and it was a total loss. I could see the operations officer sitting out in the open, some hundred feet from the charred ruins, calmly carrying on his duties.

When I'd gotten my fighter parked again I went over and heard the story. No Jap attack had come, and I felt relieved—my single-ship war and I had not let the station down. But as I heard the embarrassed operations man tell his story I remember choking discreetly and leaving before I laughed myself to death.

When the alert sounded, "Opps"—the operations officer—had hurried to the window of the thatch and bamboo "basha" to see me take off in the "bloody kite—that Kittyhawk." Seeing a transport from China about to land, and fearing that the Japs would bomb it on the field, he had then fired a Very pistol out of the operations window: the red Very light would be the signal for the transport not to land but to fly in the "stand-by" area. The Very light had gone nonchalantly out of the operations window, into the wind, had curved gracefully back into another window, and had burned the bloody building in five minutes. Operations was being carried on as usual from operations desk, which was located in front of the site of the former office. Bloody shame, wasn't it?

Well, it was tragic, but I guess it was better than a bombing. And so my first mission ended.

Came May Day, and I began the greatest month in my life. I flew every day in that long month, sometimes as many as four missions a day. By putting in a total of 214 hours and 45 minutes, I averaged over seven hours a day for the month. Most of this was in fighter ships—my little old Kittyhawk and I learned a lot, and we were very, very lucky. When I had come in from my first sortie, the day operations burned down, my pal Col. Gerry Mason kidded me a bit. Since the next day started a new month, I vowed then on the sacred relics of my great-grandmother that during those thirty-one days I would destroy a Japanese plane if I had to go all the way to Rangoon.

We got pretty confident, the transport boys and I, for I used to go with them across Burma, and Joplin and some of the other daredevils would try to lure the Jap in to attack them. Jop would call over the radio, in the clear: "NR-o from transport one three four—I'm lost near Bhamo—give me a bearing."

Up there, some three thousand feet above them, I'd be sitting with my fighter, just praying that my "decoy" would work and some luckless Jap would come in for the kill. Then I'd imagine myself diving on his tail, my six guns blazing. But the ruse never worked. Sometimes I think the "Great Flying Boss in the Sky" was giving me a little more practice before he put me to the supreme test.

May the fifth was one of the big days in my life. Waving good-bye to Gerry Mason as I taxied out, I saw him hold his thumb up to me to wish me good hunting. I waved back and was in the air on a sweep towards central Burma. I went straight to Myitkyina; then, seeing nothing, I swung South along the Irrawaddy over Bhamo. Continuing South I went right down on the Burma Road, North of Lashio, and searched for enemy columns. North of the airport at Lashio I saw two groups of troops in marching order. I would have strafed them immediately, but I was afraid they might be Chinese; after all, there were two Chinese armies coming North somewhere in Burma. I made as though to ignore them and they partially scattered to the sides of the road. Twelve trucks in the column kept rolling to the North.

Then I momentarily forgot about the troops—for in the northwestern corner of the field at Lashio was a ship. From my altitude of 2500 feet I saw at once that it was a twin-engined enemy bomber, later identified as a Mitsubishi, Army 97. It was being serviced, for there were four gasoline drums in front of it and a truck that had evidently unloaded the fuel. My gun switches were already on, and had been since I had seen the troop column. Now I was diving for the grounded bomber and getting my "Christmas Tree" sight lighted properly.

Hurriedly I began to shoot. I saw men running from the truck and jumping into the bushes to the side. My first shots hit in front of the plane, probably striking the fuel drums, for heavy dust covered the enemy ship. I released my trigger as I pulled out of my dive, just

Chinese soldiers and coolies look over Jap plane shot down by Col. Scott.

clearing the trees behind my target. As I looked back I saw the red circle on one wing, but the other was covered by the body of a man who either had been shot or was trying to hide the identifying insignia.

Keeping the ship very low, I turned 180 degrees for the second attack. This time I did better. I saw my tracers go into the thin fuselage and then into the engines. At first I thought that what I was seeing was more dust; then I realized it was smoke pouring from under the ship. It was on fire. Foolishly then, I pulled up to about six hundred feet; if there had been anti-aircraft fire, I know now they would have shot me down. Again I turned and shot at the truck and the gasoline drums, and once more I saw the tracers converge on the enemy ship. Smoke was floating high in the sky—I could smell it over the odor of cordite that came from my own guns.

Keeping very low again, I turned East and found the Burma Road, turned up it and started looking for the columns which I now knew were Japanese. I approached them from the rear, fired from about a thousand yards, and the road seemed to pulverize. The closely packed troops appeared to rush back towards me as my speed cut the distance between us. I held the six guns on while I went the length of the troop column and caught the trucks. There were only six now, but I fired into all of them and two I saw burn immediately. On my second pass, as I "S'ed" across the road, I shot at each truck individually, then turned for the troops again. The road was so dusty that I could barely see the bodies of those I had hit on the first pass. I suppose the others were hidden in the brush to the side. As I pulled up, I could see the black plume of smoke to the South—my first enemy ship was burning fiercely.

I made as though to leave the area, then came in again from the South on the troops after the dust had settled. They had reformed but were not as closely packed as before. Again I strafed them, but this time I saw that they were firing at me. The trucks couldn't get off the road, and I exhausted my ammunition on them in two more passes. One truck that I caught dead center with a full two-second burst seemed to blow up. When I left, I knew that four of the trucks were burning, and farther to the South I could still see the smoke of my first Jap plane rising high above the trees of Burma.

Straight back to base I went, feeling very intoxicated with success. At last I'd been able to see Japs and draw blood. In this case they had been treated just as they had been treating Allied ground troops, and I was happy.

That afternoon I went back on the second mission. I found the wrecks of four trucks and baggage, and objects that could have been men, scattered all over the road. The place where I had caught the troop column showed about forty dead men. The grounded plane had burned, and with it had burned about ten acres of the jungle. I fired a long burst into the truck and into the four fuel drums in front of the debris of the enemy bomber, but they didn't burn; I guess the morning fire had finished them. I searched the country to the North for more troops, but didn't intercept any.

I went back home highly elated—I had drawn my first blood. I felt that the world was good again. With pride I radioed General Chennault that his "shark" had been in use, that I had caught lots of rats walking along the Burma Road, and that one Army 97 bomber would fly no more for the Japs.

Well, at last I'd seen an enemy ship. It was a grounded bomber—but after all, I've learned since then that these planes on the ground are sometimes pretty rugged business to get when you're flying down on them with all the anti-aircraft fire in the world seeming to converge on you. You've got to worry about small-arms fire from every enemy soldier, too, and it takes only one little slug in the prestone radiator or the oil-cooler to stop you mighty sudden.

The next day I went to Lashio again and strafed the hangar that had once been used by China National Airways Corporation—CNAC—but I couldn't burn it. There were no ships on the field except an RAF Blenheim that had been strafed by the Japs on the ground on the North end of the runway.

I turned back to the North to look for the gasoline stores that I knew had been at Myitkyina. I was determined they were not going to fall into Jap hands. Not finding them, I spent the rest of my time flying low on the Irrawaddy, looking for enemy barges. It was a pretty unprofitable day.

When Myitkyina fell, I went over there every day to burn the gasoline that had been stored in tins in the woods to the Northeast of the end of the runway. I had found out its location from British Intelligence, but the RAF Group Captain had exacted from me a promise that I would not fire into it until he gave me the word.

It seems that he was afraid that the firing and the burning of the fuel would excite the native Burmese who were in the village. I couldn't see what difference that would make, for after all the Japs would capture the thousands of gallons of aviation gasoline, and the natives were more than likely helping them anyway. Though I held off, every time I saw the shiny four-gallon cans in the trees my finger itched to burn the cache before the enemy could use it. I passed the three days of waiting in burning three barges on the Irrawaddy, South of Bhamo, and in setting a fuel barge on fire down on the Chindwin. In this last raid my ship picked up a few small holes; evidently some Jap sympathizers had managed to get my range.

Later in the week, the RAF Group Captain told me that his Commandos in Myitkyina were going to knock holes in all the fuel tins with picks before they left the field to the Japs. Nevertheless I kept watching the gasoline stores while the Japs moved to the North. On May 8, when I got in my ship and started the Allison, my friend the Group Captain ran across the field to tell me that the Japs could not get the gasoline—it had been destroyed without fire, and thus the villagers would not be panicked. Over the roar of the engine I yelled that in that case it would not burn when I fired into it. For I had waited long enough; the Japs were in Myitkyina and I wasn't taking any chances on their acquiring over 100,000 gallons of aviation fuel less than two hundred miles from our base.

When I came over the field at Myitkyina, the enemy fired at me while I was yet ten miles away; I could see the black bursts of the 37 mm AA in front and below me. I started "jinking" and moved to the Northeast, so that I could come from out of the sun and be as far as I could get from the field. With my first burst the whole woods seemed to blow up—I have never seen such a flash as that which came when that veritable powder-train of high octane fuel caught fire from the tracers. I also fired at two of the gun installations on the field. But the bursts from the Jap guns were so close to me that I decided to let well enough alone, and turned for home in Assam. Many times on the way home I looked over my shoulder, and the smoke from the thousands of gallons of gasoline was visible when I was sixty miles from Myitkyina.

Next day, May 9, I made four raids into Burma. On the first of these I escorted two transports piloted by Sartz and Sexton to Paoshan, where they were going to land to pickup the baggage of the AVG, who were going on to Kunming. I waited for them to land and take off again, and then called goodby. They were going on East within the air controlled by the AVG, and I wanted to look for Japs to the South anyway. Two hours later Paoshan was badly bombed by the Japs; and so I missed a good party by not staying around.

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Bill Rickard—

Cpl, Bill Reckard, link trainer instructor in the U. S. air corps at Williams Field, Arizona, has sent his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rickard of Gold Flat a picture of himself and a rgoup of youths .There are fifteen young men in the picture and they journey from the camp to the different churches in the area and give concerts or sing in the post chapel on Sundays. One of the boys is organist for the group.

Pfc. Roy Ghanholm—

Pfc. Roy Granholm son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ghanholm of Gold Flat in his last letter received here three weeks ago, stated he was out of the hospital and in a relocation center. He expects to be sent back to his old outfit which is the Fifth Army under General Mark Clark. Roy was awarded the combat medal some time ago and recently was presented with the Purple Heart. His outfit is at Bologna, Italy, where severe fighting is going on. Granholm landed in North Africa from the states on Christmas eve last year and has been overseas a year.

Edward McGivern—

Recent graduation ceremonies at the Naval Training School (electric) on the Iowa State College campus, Ames, Iowa, saw Bluejacket Edward B. McGivern, 18, 163 Grove Street, Nevada City, receive recognition as eligible to qualify for the petty officer rate of electrician's mate third class.

Selection to attend the electrical school was made on the basis of results of recruit training aptitude tests. The newly graduated man completed a course that included practical use of electrical tools, soldering, diring, diagraming and repairing of telephone circuits. A theoretical background included principles of electricity and magnetism. Further duty orders to sea or to some shore station now await the graduate.

Marie Rathbone—

Marie H. Rathbone, of Rt. 1 Box 93, Nevada City, recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army Nurse Corps, has been ordered to active duty and will report to Madigan Hospital, Fort Lewis, Washington, for basic training, it was announced at the headquarters of Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general of the 9th Service Command, at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Following four weeks of basic training, Lt. Rathbone will be assigned to McCaw General Hospital, Walla Walla, Washington.

Retha Downey, WAC—

Retha A. Wowney had a double reason for offering her services to the womens army corps. She was sworn into the corps on November 1st and will leave for Ft. Des Moines Iowa very shortly where he will take another basic training.

A native of Nevada City, Miss Downey is the daughter of Mrs. Emma S. Downey, Box 602 Nevada City and has two brothers: H. S. Downey is chief engineer on the U. S. S. Minenapolis; the other M. B. Downey is a prisoner of war in the Philippines.

Miss Downey is a graduate of the Nevada City schools and a member of the Association of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She has done considerable clerical work as a civilian and has been an ardent Red Cross Worker.

Hal Draper—

15th AAF In Italy—Second Lieut. Hal D. Draper, Grove Street, Nevada City, has arrived overseas and has been assigned to duty as a bombardier in a B-24 Liberator group commanded by Lt. Col. Philip R. Hawes, Pearl River, N. Y.

With over 100 combrt missions to its credit the group to which he has been assigned has hit key Nazi targets extending from France through to the southern Balkans. Lt. Draper entered the AAF September 12, 1943 and received his second lieutenant's commission and bombardier's wings at Kirtland Field, April 29, 1044. Prior to his entry in the army, he was studying at San Jose state college, San Jose, Calif. He is a graduate of the Nevada City high school, Class of 40.

His parents, Dr. and Mrs. Hal D. Draper live at the above address.

Elmer Butz—

Recent graduate of Kingman Army Air Field flexbile gunnery school, situated a few miles outside of the city, was 20 year old Air Cadet Elmer C. Butz son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester P. Butz of Downieville.

Butz entered the army at Sacramento April 2, 1943. He attended Downieville high school. As a student at hte Kingman school, Butz went through a ground school course in which he was taught the principles of ballistics, sighting, turret maintenance, range, estimation and aircraft machine guns. Following a protracted course on the gunnery range, where he shot the .22 rifle, shotgun and calibre .30 and .50 machine guns, he was given two weeks of air firing before being presented with his gunnery wings.

ODD FELLOWS ATTENTION

Officers and members of Oustomah Lodge No. 16, IOOF, are requested to attend lodge Tuesday evening November 14, to assist in conferring initiation degree. Refreshments. Visiting brothers welcome.

HARRY R. DOUGLAS, N. G.
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FARM NEWS

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

FARM HOUSING COSTS

E. Martinelli, farm placement manager, calls attention to a recent publication by the Agricultural Extension Service entitled Cost of Housing Help on the Farm. This publication states that California farmers have recently found the lack of housnig facilities a handicap in obtaining or holding the help necessary to continue their operations. Agricultural extension service farm labor offices during 1943 and 1944 frequently reported unfilled jobs and unplaced applicants for the work offered, because housing was lacking or unsuited to the workers available. Single men could not be placed because board and room were not provided, or married men could not be placed because of a lack of satisfactory family housing units. Priorities and allocations of critical materials are obtainable for this purpose, though the material themselves may be difficult to find. In the future, opportunities may appear for obtaining salvaged materials from certain temporary war housing projects.

Capital outlay and the other factors which enter into the total cost of providing farm labor housing are given careful study. Units of several sizes are discussed. The cost of a complete two room cabin which would provide for the needs of the average Placer or Nevada county farmer is $800. A fair estimate of the annual overhead which includes maintenance and repairs, interest, insurance and taxes come to $150. It is assumed the life of the building is 20 years.

At the above annual overhead a full 12 months use would come to 43c per day. Cost per day if used only 10 months each year would be 50c. If this house were used for seasonal labor only working, say 75 days each year, then the cost per day would be roughly $1.40.

Farmers interested in securing a copy of this publication may obtain one from the agricultural extension service at 135 Court Street, Auburn, or the farm labor office in Newcastle.

PREPARATION OF COMPOST

The proper preparation and use of compost is good garden practice. Compost contributes nitrogen to the soil and often improves the texture of heavy soils. The practice of composting is especiall worthwhile to those who are apt to garden for a long time since the benefits of organic matter added to the soil are enjoyed for severol years after the application. The leaves now falling from deciduous trees offer a ready source of organic matter for the compost heap. Grass and hedge trimmings, weeds and other plant remains may also be used. Construct the compost pile in some spot at the edge of the garden where it is not in the way of plantings and where it can be watered readily. A wooden bin can be constructed to contain the compost although it is not essential. Pile leaves or other plant material in a layer 1 ft. deep and top them with a 6 inch layer of manure if available. The addition of manure is very desirable because it hastens decomposition of the plant material. Amominoum sulphate or other fertilizers high in nitrogen will have a similar effect if mixed with leaves at the rate of one pound per 20 lbs. of dry leaves. Next add a 2 to 3 in. layer of soil. Repeat these layings until the pile is 4 to 5 feee high. The last layer should be of soil in which a large depression is made to hold water. Water the pile thoroughly after completion. Thereafter the winter rains supply sufficient water to complete decomposition. Turning over the pile by spading once every several weeks is desirbale.

YOUR TURKEY MAY HAVE A WAR ASSIGNMENT NOW

If you are unable to get your traditional turkey for Thanksgiving you can give thanks that it's bringing a touch of home to some of our service people in remote war theatres, and plan your drumstick Christmas or New Years when civilian supplies will be considerable larger, the WFA suggests.

While the turkey crop this year is estimated as the largest on record, civilian supplies will be scarce on the traditional turkey day because a larger number have gone to war for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years dinners for our servicemen and women. A shortage of labor in processing plants plus the larger military requirements this year means that the set aside order—under which all turkeys produced and marketed in specified areas must be held for or delivered to the quartermaster corps—cannot be revoked as early as last year. It will be continued until military needs for 1944 1945 holiday dinners are met.

HIGHER MILK OUTPUT PREDICTED FOR 1945

If returns to dairy farmers, including dairy production payments, are held at about the same level as in 1944, milk production in 1945 may reach 119 billion pounds—one billion pounds above the indicated 1944 production and just short of the record of 1942, the USDA latest outlook anaylsis predicts. Present indications are that milk producers will experience fewer problems in meeting feed requirtments than in 1999 and that compared with the long time average, dairy fed price relationships in 1945 may be more favorable than other important livestock feed price relationships with the possible exception of the hog-corn fatio.

ELECTRICITY IMPORTANT TO FARMER

Electricity is needed even more on the farm than in the city home since it serves not only to make the homes brighter and housework easier, but also aids in dozens of farm product tasks, U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard points out.

Yet, even after the great advance of the pase ten years, only 43 out of 100 farm homes have electricity compared with 95 out of 100 in cities, Wickard reveals in calling attention to rural electrification administration plans for wide extension of its program on a complete area coverage basis as soon as materials and manpower are again avilable, and to President Roosevelt's request that congress make possible further great extension of rural electrification. Post war objectives of the REA are, electric service to all rural people, full use of electricity on the farmstead, its full use of rural community welfare, and its use in developing local rural industries. These objectives have been developed into a five year electrification program that would create an outlet for goods and services and provide electric service to rural homes.

Kansas City to Los Angeles for a dollar, was advertised one day in the railroad price war of 1886.

San Francisco bay is the world's greatest naval base today.

ORGANIC POISONS FOUND BEST FOR INSECTS

BERKELEY, Nov. 13—Recently developed organic insecticides are replacing inorganic chemicals formerly used, which were not only harmful to the insects but posionous to man and animals as well. So says Dr. William M. Hoskins, professor of entomology on the Berkeley campus of the University of California.

Plant products, such as pyrethrum and rotenone, and synthetic compounds such as DDT, have been found to be much more effective in controlling insect pests. Pyrethrum is extracted from the blossoms of a member of the chrysanthemum family. The Japanese had a monopoly on this until the late nineteen thirties when it was found that the flowers would grow in Kenya Colony, East Africa. The United States Department of Agriculture developed a highly efficient method of applying this insecticide in the aerosol bomb in which the pyrethrum is dissolved in freon 12, the ordinary household refrigerant, and put under pressure in a small metal container. More than ten million of these have been used by the armed forces.

The synthetic compound known as DDT was developed by the Swiss. Experiments in this country proced so satisfactory that in spite of the fact that nearly two million pounds a month are benig manufactured, there is still none available for civilian use. DDT is more lasting in its effects than pythrum and is credited with stopping for the first time in history a full fledged typhus fever epidemic which occurred last year in Italy.

Camp Beale Exceeds War Chest Quota

CAMP BEALE, Nov. 13 — Camp Beale oversubscribed the post's war chest campaign by nearly $1500 it was disclosed.

The final figure reached was $6453.01—or $1463.01 over the $5000 goal set for Beale.

Brig. Gen. Oscar B. Abbott, post commander was strong in his praise for Beale's successful part in the national war fund drive made possible here by the generous donatoins and hard work of both military personnel and civilian workers.

"We of Beale are proud that the camp has gone so far over the quota set for us and are happy to join with our Yuba county neighbors, the first in California it meet their quota, in making this worthy cause the success it deserves. To the countless donors and the many committee workers, my personal thanks."

NO PORT CONGESTION IN S. F

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13—Congestion in the port of San Francisco has been eliminated by the operation of railway control stations at military holding yards, the Maritime Exchange of the Port of San Francisco announced this week.

This announcement was made to allay rumors current in the east that the port was being congested by the military and naval cargoes. Such rumors are completely unfounded, the exchange declared, but their present appearance has caused difficulties in eastern states which under other cimcumstances would plan to ship through the port.

RAINBOW GIRLS MEETING

Nevada City Rainbow Girls will hold a regular meeting in Masonic Hall this evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting. The meeting is being held at this time due to a dinner at the Episcopal church tomorrow evening. Games will also be played at the close of tonights meeting.

There were 24,797 olive bearing acres in California in 1943.

The record high temperature in San Francisco has been 101 degrees for more than 20 years.

Gold has been found in every county in California.

One third of Argentina's 13,513,239 people lives in Buenos Aires and its suburbs.

There were 32,731 apple bearing acres in California in 1943.

A farm with 15 mortgages pyramided on it was found by a student investigating New Zealands farmers speculative tendencies.

The first election by Americans on the west coast was held at Sonora on August 1, 1849.

The first San Francisco performance of the opera Carmen was given May 13, 1877.

There are two languages, Landsmaal and Riksmall, in common use in Norway.

United States railroads ran 1 billion passenger miles in 1943, compared to 43 billion miles in 1918.

The transcontinental telegraph was put through to California in 1861.

Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin were born on the same day.

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